

SENATE BILL 909

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-5-101 and Section 57-6-102, relative to the definition of beer and malt beverages.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-5-101(a), is amended by adding the phrase “, ale and malt beverages” between the words “beer” and “of alcoholic content”.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-5-101(a), is further amended by deleting the phrase “five percent (5%)” and by substituting instead the phrase “ten percent (10%)”.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-5-101(a), is further amended by adding the following second sentence:

Malt beverages shall include beverages made by the alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction, or combination of both, in potable brewing water, of malted barley with hops, or their parts, or their products, and with or without other malted cereal, and with or without the addition of unmalted or prepared cereals, other carbohydrate or products prepared therefrom, and with or without the addition of carbon dioxide, and with or without other wholesome products suitable for human consumption, or containing alcohol derived from sources other than fermentation at the brewery.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-6-102(1), is amended by deleting the phrase “five percent (5%)” and substituting instead the phrase “ten percent (10%)”.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-6-102(1), is further amended by deleting the semicolon (“;”) after the phrase “§ 57-3-101” and adding in its place a period (“.”).

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-6-102(1), is further amended to add the following second sentence:

Malt beverages shall include beverages made by the alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction, or combination of both, in potable brewing water, of malted barley with hops, or their parts, or their products, and with or without other malted cereal, and with or without the addition of unmalted or prepared cereals, other carbohydrate or products prepared therefrom, and with or without the addition of carbon dioxide, and with or without other wholesome products suitable for human consumption, or containing alcohol derived from sources other than fermentation at the brewery.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.